PROGRAMS THAT WORK

Since 1916 Riverbend Head Start & Family Services has been focused on improving the lives of mothers and children in our community. Now the agency serves the entire family through its Head Start and Early Head Start programs. Services are provided at no cost to the family!

HEAD START: Preschool program for children 3-5 years old at our Head Start centers or in your home

EARLY HEAD START: Home visitors visit pregnant
women & children under 3 years
old in their homes each week in
this 12-month program



Parents of children with disabilities are encouraged to apply

TO APPLY YOU WILL NEED:

- Proof of income for last 12 months
- Proof of child's date of birth







Bethalto Head Start

225 James St. 618-717-0625

Collinsville Head Start

#5 Crestmont Drive 618-345-9588

Edwardsville Head Start

710 N. Main Street 618-692-9604

Essic Robinson Head Start

1802 E. Broadway, Alton 618-463-5933

Granite City North Head Start

2413 Corporate Center Drive 618-797-1547

Granite City South Head Start

1249 20th Street 618-877-2102

Riverbend Head Start & Family Services

550 Landmarks Blvd. Alton, Illinois 62002

618-463-5950 www.riverbendfamilies.org info@riverbendfamilies.org



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OUR MISSION

Riverbend Head Start & Family Services is a non-profit working to improve the lives of families through our early childhood development program and parenting education.

Our mission is simple: we center our services to empower children and families in Madison County to develop positive skills to meet life's challenges...and that's what we do every day.

WHO WE SERVE:

- 800 infants, toddlers and preschoolers
- Pregnant mothers
- All live in Madison County
- Must be income eligible, have a child with a diagnosed disability or be involved with the Department of Children and Family Services

MAKE AN IMPACT

"I'm glad that Riverbend Head Start has been there through everything. They help the whole family, not just your child enrolled in the program. Thanks to them we bounced back."

- Parent of Head Start & Early Head Start children



PROGRAM SERVICES

We are committed to much more than preparing your child for kindergarten. We want your family to be healthy and positioned to succeed in life. This is why we offer these program services.

HEALTH

Physical/Dental Exams • Follow-up Treatment

- Nutritious Meals & Snacks Prenatal Care
- Nutrition Education

EDUCATION

Individual Assessments • Creative Play

- Social Skills Learn & Play Groups
- Field Trips Age Appropriate Child
 Activities Introduction to Words & Numbers

SOCIAL SERVICES

Identify and Link to Community Resources

- Empower Families to Set & Achieve Goals
- Support Families in Problem Solving

PARENT ENGAGEMENT

Support Child's Education at Home • Build Confidence • Develop Leadership Skills

Parent Meetings & Workshops
 Parents as

Volunteers

Transportation is provided for most centerbased activities, all home-based Learn & Play groups and field trips.